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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.121

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Box Amendments Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the non-final Office Action dated July 3, 2002, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Reply.

No fees are required. However, if the Commissioner deems that any fees are due, authorization is hereby granted to charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 22-0261.